The United Benefice of Slyne with Hest St Luke and Halton St Wilfrid with Aughton St Saviour

# Monthly Newsletter April 2024



### **Celebrate Spring.**

Immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of the season

- Breathe in the fragrance of blossoms,
- Observe budding catkins,
- Note different bird songs, .
- Spot footprints, or use the •
- Pl@ntNet app to identify spring • flowers.

Nature can boost our happiness, so spend time in your garden, on your balcony, and in local green spaces. Dedicate quality time to appreciate creation's beauty, and thank God for the hope that spring can bring.

## **Annual vestry and Parochial Church** meetings:

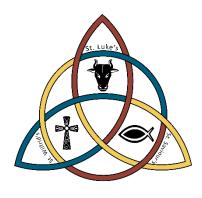
St Saviour's –14<sup>th</sup> April after the 11.30 am Service. St Wilfrid's –21<sup>st</sup> April after the 10 am Service St Luke's – 5<sup>th</sup> May after the 9.30 am Service

Please make a special effort to attend our APCM meetings. These are important meetings for the whole church. It is an opportunity to elect our Church Wardens and PCC members, and to hear about the finances of the church, the state of the building and other matters of concern to the parish.

## **Food Collections in the Church porches**

St Luke's – The Foodbank. Items needed: Laundry powder foodbank and tablets, long life fruit juice, pet food, hot chocolate, crisps (Not beans or pasta) St Wilfrid's -Donations go to the Homeless action Centre

Any non-perishable food



## Easter Prayer

God of love and hope, we remember with thanksgiving that Jesus rose from the dead and conquered the power of death. May you help us to rise today to overcome adversity and bring glory to your name Amen







## Mothers' Union 'Sharing Faith Stories' morning.

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 10 for 10.30 am to 1 pm at St Margaret's Ingol. Cost £5. Bring a packed lunch. 4 speakers with time for discussion. Please contact Revd Susan if you require a lift. The April meeting of the Mothers' Union friendship group will be at 2pm on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April, in the Church Hall.

### Thursdays @ Slyne with Hest:

- Pause for reflection and Prayer. 10.40 am in the Church. An opportunity for a quiet time of reflection • and prayer for our churches, schools, and villages.
- Church Coffee Mornings Thursday mornings from 10.45 -12 noon at the Church Hall.
- Body and Soul Exercise group meets Thursday's afternoons at 2pm in the Church Hall. ٠

### **Children and Young People**

Shining Stars Pre-school group meets on Tuesday mornings at 9 am in Slyne Church Hall. • Contact Val Gill on 824089 for details.



- St Wilfrid's Junior Church meets on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month in term time, 10 am at St • Wilfrid's. Please email Sandra (s.dawson135@btinternet.com) for more details.
- St Luke's Sunday School Meets every Sunday in term time •
- Youth Café! Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April, 6.30 7.45 pm (& every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday) at Slyne with Hest Church Hall. • For School years 7-11. Table tennis, games, and refreshments.
- 'Abide' Youth Event for 11-17 year olds. Saturday 27th April at St Michael's High School in Chorley. This is • a free event during which there will times of worship including a Eucharist celebrated by Bishop Philip, a choice of workshops and activity spaces to choose from as well as a healthy dollop of fun, games. Please contact Revd Susan for more details and a registration form if you are interested
- Blackburn Diocese. There are many resources available for Children and young people on the Blackburn • Diocese website. www.bdeducation.org.uk/children/

## **Church Services in April**

St Luke's Slyne with Hest

#### St Wilfrid's Halton

St. Wilfrid's Halton			7 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday -	Second of Easter
7 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday -	Second of Easter		8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
	10.00 a.m.	Family Communion		9.30 a.m.	Family Worship
9 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Morning prayer		4.00 p.m.	Families@4 (Church Hall)
14 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday -	Third of Easter	10 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 a.m.	Morning prayer
	8.00 -	Holy Communion	14 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday -	Third of Easter
	10.00 -	Family Worship		9.30 a.m.	Family Communion
16 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 a.m.	Morning prayer	17 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 a.m.	Morning prayer
<b>21</b> <sup>st</sup>	Sunday -	Fourth of Easter	<b>21</b> <sup>st</sup>	Sunday -	Fourth of Easter
	10.00 am	Family Communion and APCM		8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.00 am	Morning prayer		9.30 a.m.	Family Worship
28 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday -	Fifth of Easter		6.30 pm	Youth Cafe (Church Hall)
	, 10.00 am	Family Communion	24 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
30 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 a.m.	Morning prayer	28 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday -	Fifth of Easter
				8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
St Saviour's Aughton				9.30 a.m.	Family Communion
9 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday -	Third of Easter	Live streamed services on Facebook:		
	11.30 a.m.	Holy Communion and APCM	<b>Sunday</b> Morning Service – 9.30 am St Luke's		
28 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday -	Fifth of Easter		, 0	10 am St Wilfrid's (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sundays)
	11.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Morning prayer - 9 am Tues St Wilfrid's. Weds St Luke's		
			Midweek services can be found on the Church of England		

Web site or 'Daily Prayer' App

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